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MAYOR JERRY SANDERS

MEDIA STATEMENT

SANDERS OPPOSES PAY INCREASE FOR MAYOR AND CITY COUNCILMEMBERS

San Diego Mayor Jerry Sanders issued the following statement today expressing his opposition to the Salary Setting Commission's recommendation of pay increases for the mayor and city councilmembers:

"While I appreciate the work of the commission, their recommendations are out of sync with the current economic and fiscal climate. Now is simply not the time to be awarding salary increases to anyone – especially when so many people are losing their jobs or taking pay cuts."

"It would not be fair to our hard-working city employees, who recently took a 6 percent compensation reduction, for anyone in city government to receive an increase in pay."